

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

GUNTHER *et al.*

Appl. No.: 10/568,355

I.A. Date: August 13, 2004

For: **Method For Producing  $\alpha$ -Fluoromalonic  
Acid Dialkyl Esters**

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**Preliminary Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.115**

***Mail Stop Amendment***

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
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Sir:

In advance of prosecution, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.